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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examining the captioned application, Applicants respectfully request the entry of the following amendments. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO/SB/08, and (b) a copy of the cited references AA-AY. Please amend the application as follows.

In the Title:

Please delete the existing title and replace therefor -- Secreted Protein HEMAE80 --.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1 please replace the first paragraph of the specification with the following paragraph:

--This application is a divisional of, and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, of copending United States patent application Serial No: 09/205,258, filed December 4, 1998, which is hereby incorporated by reference, which is a continuation-in-part of, and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to International Application No. PCT/US98/11422, filed June 4, 1998, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference and published by the International Bureau in the English language on December 10, 1998 as International Publication No. WO98/54963, which is hereby incorporated by reference, which claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on U.S. Provisional Applications, each of which is hereby incorporated by reference: --

At page 312, above line 1, please insert the following heading: --Table 1--.